

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

TRIBAL RESOLUTION #090907-04

Authorization to Sign United League of Indigenous Nations Treaty

WHEREAS the Waganakising Odawak, known as the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, is a nation of citizens with inherent sovereignty and right to self-governance;

WHEREAS the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB or Tribe) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe under Public Law 103-324, and is a party to numerous Treaties with the United States, the most recent being the Treaty of Washington of March 28, 1836 (7 Stat. 491) and the Treaty of Detroit of 1855 (11 Stat. 621);

WHEREAS Article VIII(C)(2) of the LTBB Constitution delegates to the Chairperson the power "to represent the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians in an ambassadorial capacity" and Article VII(D)(23) delegates to the Tribal Council the power to "approve negotiations with any other governments, businesses or individuals by a majority vote of the Tribal Council;"

WHEREAS by working together across international boundaries, Indigenous Nations can effectively aid each other in protecting their sovereignty, promoting social and economic justice, and fighting for environmental protection, including reversing climate change;

WHEREAS on August 1, 2007, eleven Indigenous Nations entered into the United League of Indigenous Nations in furtherance of these purposes. Many other Nations, including LTBB, signed as witnesses but had not yet authorized ratification;

WHEREAS the final paragraph of the Treaty states: "Following the effective date of this Treaty, any other Indigenous Nation may ratify this Treaty at a meeting of the United League of Indigenous Nations.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians authorizes Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, by and on behalf of the Tribe, to ratify and sign the United League of Indigenous Nations Treaty.

CERTIFICATION

As Tribal Council Legislative Leader and Tribal Council Secretary, we certify that this Tribal Resolution was duly adopted by the Tribal Council of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians at a regular meeting of the Tribal Council held September 9, 2007 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of 8 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstentions, 1 absent as recorded by this roll call:

	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
Fred Harrington, Jr.	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Melvin L. Kiogima	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Dexter McNamara	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Marvin Mulholland	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>
Shirley Oldman	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Alice Yellowbank	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Gerald V. Chingwa	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Regina Gasco Bentley	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Beatrice A. Law	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Date: _____

Beatrice A. Law, Legislative Leader

Date: _____

Regina Gasco Bentley, Secretary

Received by the Executive Office on _____ by _____

Pursuant to Article VII, Section D, Subsection 1 of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Constitution adopted on February 1, 2005 the Executive concurs in this action of the Tribal Council.

Date: _____

Frank Ettawageshik, Tribal Chairperson